

House Resolution No. 4179

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize John West, Director of Belton Celebration Singers, who is retiring after nineteen years of exceptional service and dedication; and

Whereas, for nearly twenty years, John West has been the constant driving force behind Celebration Singers in Belton and has never lost his drive and passion for music or for directing young people in a positive way; and

Whereas, John West started out as a chaperone for the group and became Director of Celebration Singers in 1988 when the previous director stepped down; and

Whereas, the Celebration Singers practice once a week at the Belton Christian Church and present their program to area and neighboring churches and congregations, and tour to various parts of the United States during the first week in June; and

Whereas, this year's group consists of twenty-three singers who will travel and sing at locations in Kansas and Colorado before returning to the Show-Me State; and

Whereas, a former Little League football coach, John West celebrated his final concert of the tour on June 10, 2007, at the Belton Christian Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to John West at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John West, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Baker
District No. 123

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4179, adopted July 9, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker